

Adopt-A-City-Street Program

The City of Greenville program is patterned after the Adopt-A-Highway Program. Greenville began the Adopt-A-City-Street Program in 1989. Participants include schools, non-profit organizations, clubs, businesses, and individuals.

Why Your Group/Business Should Adopt A City Street

By participating in the Adopt-A-City-Street Program and donating a few hours of time per year, you can help make Greenville better and more beautiful. Your organization will receive recognition for this visible public service.

There is no monetary cost to you, but the rewards are many. Removing litter is an expensive proposition for you and other tax paying citizens of Greenville. The City of Greenville spends \$80,000 annually to clean roadsides. This takes money away from badly needed street maintenance and improvements.

Contact

If you are interested in adopting a City street, please call the City of Greenville Public Works Department at 329-4524.

You are also invited to attend a Community Appearance Commission meeting. The Commission meets the first Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Call 329-4504 for additional information.

Thank you for your interest and efforts in keeping Greenville clean and beautiful.

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P.O. Box 7207
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The City of Greenville

*Invites You To
Help Keep Greenville
Clean and Beautiful ...*

ADOPT
A CITY
STREET

YOUR ORGANIZATION



*coordinated by
Greenville Community Appearance Commission
and City of Greenville Public Works Dept.*

How To Adopt-A-City-Street

To adopt a City street, your group or business agrees to pick up litter for one year along a mile of roadway within the City of Greenville.

What are your responsibilities?

- ➡ Pick up litter along your adopted roadway at least once per calendar quarter. You are encouraged to clean your street more often if needed. We hope two of your cleanups will take place in April and September when the City's spring and fall cleanup campaigns are held.
- ➡ Make sure everyone in your organization has a clear understanding of the program and follows the safety procedures.
- ➡ Everyone in your organization must see the City's Adopt-A-City-Street video tape.
- ➡ Choose an Adopt-A-City-Street coordinator who is at least 21 years of age.
- ➡ Youth groups must have parental permission. For safety reasons, no one under the age of 12 is allowed to participate in the program. Young children must not accompany you to the street site.
- ➡ Whenever possible, recycle collected litter.
- ➡ You are encouraged to obtain media coverage during your cleanup times.
- ➡ Coordinate cleanup dates and times with the City Public Works Dept. Your first cleanup should be within 3 months of adoption.

What The City Provides

The City will maintain/provide a list of potential streets for adoption which can be supplemented by GCAC (Greenville Community Appearance Commission) and adopting organizations. When your group adopts a street, we will do the following:

- post a road sign with your group's name to mark your adopted section of street, if your organization adopts the street for a minimum period of 1 year.
- provide the training film before litter pickup begins.
- furnish safety vests (which you will be required to wear) and a first aid kit.
- provide trash bags.
- collect and dispose of filled trash bags when notified by your coordinator of the date and place.
- present certificates of appreciation to your organization at the end of one year.



Safety Precautions



Be sure to carpool when you travel to your section of the street. It is important to keep the number of cars at the site to a minimum and always park them clear of the roadway.



Wear your safety vest.



Face oncoming traffic.



Maintain a working group of 6 to 10 people.



Avoid work during hours and days that are peak travel times.



Stop work in inclement weather.



Avoid overexertion.



Do not remove hazardous substances.



Be alert for snakes.



Avoid contact with noxious weeds and areas where herbicides have been applied.



Do not pick up items on bridges, in tunnels, on overpasses.



Stay clear of any construction.



Use extra caution near edge of curbing and intersections.



Other common sense safety tips should be followed. These include wearing light-colored clothing, heavy gloves, leather shoes or boots as well as a hat and long sleeves.